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THE PRIME MINISTER

27 February 1981

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Your Excellency

On the occasion of your inauguration as 12th President of the Republic of Korea I take this opportunity to extend warm congratulations to you, and the wishes of the British government and people that under your Presidency the people of Korea will enjoy continued prosperity and peace.

I am confident that the friendly relations which have existed between our two countries for nearly a hundred years will be maintained and further strengthened.

Yours sincerely

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His Excellency President Chun Doo Hwan

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17 February 1981

*Dear Michael,*

Presidential elections under a new constitution are to be held in South Korea on 25 February, followed by an inauguration on 3 March. It is a foregone conclusion that President Chun Doo Hwan will be re-elected.

Lord Carrington recommends that the Prime Minister should send a congratulatory message, as she did on 1 September 1980 when President Chun was first elected.

Mr Blaker will be attending the inauguration as the Government's Special Representative. It would be appropriate for him to deliver the Prime Minister's message personally in the form of a signed letter.

I attach a draft. If the Prime Minister is content, the letter should be dated 27 February, by which time the official result of the election will be known. Mr Blaker leaves for Seoul on 28 February.

*yours pva*  
*Roderic Lyne*

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President Chun Doo Hwan  
President of the Republic of Korea

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